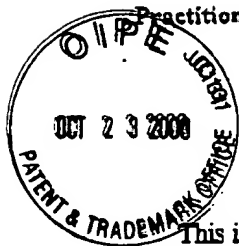


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PATENT



ASSENT BY ASSIGNEE FOR FILING OF REISSUE APPLICATION (DIVISIONAL)

This is part of the application for a reissue patent filed herewith based on the original patent identified as follows:

Name of Patentee: Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.

Patent Number: 5,790,172

Date Patent Issued: 08/04/1998

Title of Invention: SERVER APPARATUS, SUBSCRIBER APPARATUS AND INFORMATION ON DEMAND SYSTEM

I am an assignee owning an undivided interest to the above original patent.

I assent to the accompanying application for reissue.

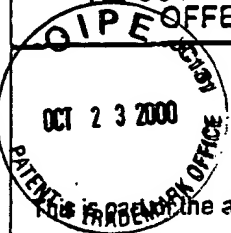


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Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.

  
Signature of person signing for assignee

Date: October 18, 2000

Dr. Osamu Yamazaki  
Director

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| <b>DIVISIONAL</b><br><b>REISSUE APPLICATION BY THE INVENTOR,</b><br><b>OFFER TO SURRENDER PATENT</b>   |   | Docket Number (Optional)<br><b>MAT-3720US3</b> |
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| This is the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.  |   |  |
| Name of Patentee(s)<br><b>Ryoichi Imanaka</b>  |   |  |
| Patent Number<br><b>5,790,172</b>  | Date Patent Issued<br><b>August 4, 1998</b> |  |
| Title of Invention<br><b>SERVER APPARATUS, SUBSCRIBER APPARATUS AND INFORMATION ON DEMAND SYSTEM</b>   |   |  |
| I am the inventor of the original patent.<br>I offer to surrender the original patent.<br>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filed herein is a certificate under 37 CFR 3.73(b).<br>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Ownership of the patent is in the inventor(s), and no assignment of the patent has been made.<br>One of boxes 1 or 2 above must be checked.<br>The written consent of all assignees owning an undivided interest in the original patent is included in this application for reissue.                     |   |  |
| Signature<br>   | Date<br><b>October 18, 2000</b>             |  |
| Typed or printed name<br><b>Ryoichi Imanaka</b>  |   |  |
| The assignee owning an undivided interest in said original patent is <u>Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.</u> and the assignee consents to the accompanying application for reissue.  |   |  |
| I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issued thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed. |   |  |
| Name of assignee<br><b>Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.</b>  |   |  |
| Signature of person signing for assignee<br>  | Date<br><b>October 18, 2000</b>             |  |
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**As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:**

My residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 5,790,172, granted August 4, 1998, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled SERVER APPARATUS, SUBSCRIBER APPARATUS AND

### INFORMATION ON DEMAND SYSTEM

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto.

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and was amended on August 3, 2000.  
(if applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

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During the prosecution of the application that issued as the above patent, I did not recognize that the features disclosed at column 2, lines 53-63 and column 7, lines 20-35 were appropriate to claim. As such, I did not claim all that I had a right to claim. This error was made without deceptive intent.

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Name of Patentee(s):

Ryoichi Imanaka

Patent Number

**5,790,172**

Date Patent Issued

**August 4, 1998**

Title of Invention

## SERVER APPARATUS, SUBSCRIBER APPARATUS AND INFORMATION ON DEMAND SYSTEM

Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. is the assignee of the entire interest in the original patent.

**I offer to surrender the original patent.**

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**I am authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.**

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issued thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

Name of assignee

**Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.**

**Signature of person signing for assignee**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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The entire title to the patent identified below is vested in said assignee.

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I believe said patentee(s) to be the original, first and sole/joint inventor(s) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in said patent, for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled SERVER APPARATUS, SUBSCRIBER APPARATUS AND INFORMATION ON DEMAND SYSTEM the specification of which

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[Attach additional sheets, if needed.]

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Dr. Osamu Yamazaki, Director

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**STR :**

Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., a Japanese Corporation certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventor of the patent application identified above. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 7692, Frame 0439, for which a copy thereof is attached.

The undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the patent application identified above and, to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

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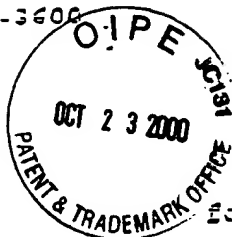
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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, the ASSIGNOR, comprising the following named inventor(s)

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ASSIGNOR(S) /  
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1. Rynichi Imanaka

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has made an invention entitled:

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and has executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States concurrently herewith;

WHEREAS, the ASSIGNEE

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is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in and to said invention and the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to ASSIGNOR of a sum corresponding to One Dollar (\$1.00), and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR, intending to be legally bound, hereby sells, assigns and transfers to ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention, all applications for Letters Patent for said invention, including all divisions and continuations thereof, all rights to claim priority based thereon, and all Letters Patent, including reissues, to be obtained therefor, including any and all foreign patent rights in this invention corresponding thereto.

ASSIGNOR hereby warrants that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this Assignment.

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